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Sunday 16th December 2018  
@ Croft Circuit

# Regulations



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<b>Child Safeguarding Officer</b>	: Amanda Cornforth Smith	

**PLEASE DO NOT PHONE OFFICIALS AFTER 9.00 PM**

**Official Video** - [www.madvideo.co.uk](http://www.madvideo.co.uk)

**Official Photographer** – Tony Todd - special photo requests please contact Tony prior to event. Tel No. 01325 720508 E-mail [tonytodd@appleshack.com](mailto:tonytodd@appleshack.com)

# **SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

## **1. ANNOUNCEMENT**

Northallerton A.C. Ltd will organise a National B Permit Multi-Use Stage Rally on Sunday 16th December 2018 known as the Swift Signs Christmas Stages Rally. The event will be held at Croft Racing Circuit near Darlington.

## **2. JURISDICTION**

The meeting will be governed by the General Regulations of the MSA Ltd., incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the F.I.A., these Supplementary Regulations and any written instructions that the organising club may issue for the event.

## **3. AUTHORISATION**

MSA Permit Number –Advised in finals

## **4. ELIGIBILITY**

The event is open to:

- (a) Members of the promoting club.
- (b) Members of any M.S.A Recognised Motor Club that is a member of either the A.N.E.C.C.C and A.N.C.C Clubs.

## **5. DOCUMENTATION & LICENCES**

All competitors must produce a valid 2018 Competition Licence of National B Status or above (H22 & R5.2.1) and Club Membership Cards (R5.2.2) together with Championship Registration cards if applicable.

Competitors are reminded of the MSA's requirements for Entrants Licences as laid down on the licence declaration form and in the 2018 MSA year book. All competitors' licences, club membership cards and championship documents will be inspected at Documentation. Fully completed application forms for a Co-drivers non-race National B Licence may be accepted. Anyone attending the event without a licence must have faxed proof from the MSA or must complete a non production of licence form and pay the relevant fine as per the MSA year book. Non UK Licences will not be accepted.

On production of a fully completed process card as a result of passing noise and scrutineering, competitors details will be checked including the inspection of licences and club cards.

## **6. CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The event is a qualifying round of the following championships:

The AS Performance North of England Tarmacadam Rally Championship 2019

## 7. TIMETABLE

29 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	Entries Open 7pm
2nd December 2018	Entries Close for seeding
7 <sup>th</sup> December or shortly after	Finals available for download from <a href="http://www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas">www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas</a>
13 <sup>th</sup> December	Entries Close
15 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	(2pm –4:30pm) Noise / Scrutineering/ (Documentation 2pm-5pm)
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	(6am –8.00am) Noise Test (pre arrangement*) (6am –8.00am) Scrutineering (pre arrangement*) (6am –8.30am) Documentation
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	09:00 Hours car '1' Starts
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Awards Presentation approx 30 minutes after final stage completion
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	Final results will be available for download at <a href="http://www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas">www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas</a>

\*Scrutineering on Sunday morning needs to be prearranged. Please email Nicky ([nickyjacko@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nickyjacko@yahoo.co.uk)) to arrange a slot.

## 8. ROUTE

The event will comprise of approx 45 miles which will take the form of 8 special stages on sealed surface roads and tracks. 100% Tarmac. The event will start and finish at croft circuit. Cars will start at 30 second intervals. There will be no mileage on the public road.

## 9. CLASSES

The event will consist of 5 Capacity Classes.

- Class 1 : All cars up to and including 1400cc
- Class 2 : All cars over 1400, up to and including 1600cc
- Class 3 : All cars over 1600, up to and including 2000cc
- Class 4 : All cars over 2000cc
- Class 5 : All Four wheel drive cars

Engines using forced induction will be subject to a nominal increase in capacity of 70% to determine their class eligibility in accordance with MSA regulations. Competitors may only enter one class and if found to be entered in the incorrect class may be excluded.

The minimum entry for each class is 3. Should the minimum figures not be reached, the Organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes and awards.

## **10. SCRUTINEERING**

All cars must comply with MSA Technical regulations. The event will be staged entirely on private property, mileage on the public highway is not included, regulation R46.1.1 is waived in respect of current tax. But vehicles must be presented to scrutineering with the vehicles registration document along with a valid MOT certificate (where appropriate).

At Scrutineering, each car will be inspected to ensure it complies with the 2018 MSA Tyre, Technical and Safety Regulations as well as for class eligibility.

A validated MSA Special Stage Vehicle Log Book must be presented at Scrutineering and on demand throughout the event for each car. Failure to produce this form will lead to a Refused Start or Exclusion. In addition competitors must have their competition numbers affixed to both sides of the car prior to scrutineering.

As a requirement of the circuit each car must carry a spare wheel and this must fit front and back wheels of the car. Checks may be carried out at stage starts to ensure compliance.

Auxiliary Lighting may be required as the last stage will run into darkness. If using Auxiliary Lighting it must be fitted for scrutineering for inspection.

## **11. NOISE TEST**

All cars are required to pass a pre-event Sound Test and comply with R4.1 and J5.18 (100 dB(A) at 0.5 metres), and subsequent Sound Test(s) may be carried out during the course of the rally.

The noise test will be carried out **Before** Scrutineering.

Aggressive back firing will be monitored closely throughout the event and a penalty of exclusion will occur if this persists.

## **12. AWARDS**

1st Overall

2nd Overall

3rd Overall

1st in each class

2nd in each class

3rd in each class

1st Mixed Crew

**Steve Easton Spirit of rally Award**

Overall winners are not eligible for class awards, and no crew may win more than one award except for the above two. Additional awards may be presented and these will be detailed in the Final Instructions.

Competitors may forfeit awards if they fail to attend the awards presentation personally or make arrangements for a representative to collect them

### **13. ENTRIES**

Entries open on 29th October 7pm and close for seeding on the 30th November 2018. If places remain, late entries will be accepted up until the closing date but these entries will not be included in the initial seeded entry list. Entries after the closing date will not be accepted. The entry fee is £250. All entries must be made on the official online entry form which can be found at [www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas](http://www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas). Entry forms must be fully completed and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee. All entries will be acknowledged and from the point of submission of an entry, full payment must be received within 7 days. If full payment is not made in this time, the entry will be rejected and will have to be resubmitted. On receipt of full payment, the entry will be formally accepted. Payment can be made only by BACS.

The maximum entry for the meeting is 90 and the minimum is 70. The minimum for each class is 5, should any of the above figures not be reached the organisers have the right to either cancel the meeting or amalgamate classes as necessary. The organisers reserve the right to accept or refuse entries at their discretion.

Entries will be selected as follows:- First 80 on receipt, 10 at the organiser's discretion after the closing date. All received entries will be acknowledged by email.

Cancellation of entries must be made in writing to the entries secretary. Entries cancelled in writing before the closing date will be entitled to a full refund. Entries cancelled after the closing date may be refunded at the organisers discretion. There may be a £25.00 administration fee for cancelled entries.

The starting order will be determined using information of the drivers past performances you provide on the entry form. If no seeding information is supplied you will run at the back of the field.

#### **Entries Secretary**

Nicky Jackson

E-mail: [nickyjacko@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nickyjacko@yahoo.co.uk)

Telephone No. 07870222763 (Before 9pm)

## 14. DOCUMENTATION

Entrants will be supplied with Stage diagrams and time cards at signing on. These documents will provide all the necessary information. Final instructions will be available to download on or shortly after 7th December and Final Event Results after the event from [www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas](http://www.northallerton-ac.co.uk/xmas)

## 15. SERVICING

Servicing is defined as work being carried out on the car by any person other than the competing crew, or the use of any parts or tools not carried in the competing car. There will be a service area where work may be carried out by the service crew of the competing car. Servicing will only be permitted in areas specifically set aside by the organisers for the purpose of servicing and all servicing must be carried out using a groundsheet. Competitors and their support crews are reminded of the MSA Health and Safety Guidelines regarding vehicle servicing and the existence of statutory regulations covering the conveyance of petrol and other flammable substances.

The service area is very restricted and so only one service/support vehicle per entry is permitted. One Service barge plate will be issued to each entry. Trailers will not be allowed in the Service Area, and there will be a separate area for parking trailers. Competitors are responsible for ensuring that their service crew understand and comply with the MSA Health and Safety Guidelines the rules at all times as failure to comply will result in a penalty.

The service area is subject to a maximum speed limit of 10mph, The warming of brakes and tyres by bursts of acceleration within the confines of the service area is not allowed. Penalty for failing to comply will be exclusion.

## 16. IDENTIFICATION

The event sponsors decals must be displayed on both sides of the car above the competition number. Each car will display competition numbers in accordance with J4 (i.e. traditional numbers). You are reminded that all cars are to display numbers on 'white backgrounds' and any car not doing so will be reported to the Clerk of Course. All identification must be kept in a legible condition throughout the event. **Competition numbers will be supplied**, these will be supplied at Noise Test.

## 17. CONTROLS AND TIMING

This will be as described in R30.1 to R32.2 with the following modifications.

R30.3.3 will apply at the final time control only. R31.2.5 Total Maximum Permitted Lateness (penalty free) will be 15 minutes between main time controls.

Stages will be timed to an accuracy of less than one minute in accordance with R26.5

Due times for MTC1 will be posted on the event notice board on the morning of the event.

All Special Stages will have a Bogey Time and a Target Time. Competitors will receive penalties as follows:

Under Bogey Time - Bogey Time

Over Bogey, under Target - Actual time taken



Over Target Time - Target Time

Special Stage Start Controls (SS) (R25.7 to R25.7.1)

The starting signal for each special stage will be signalled by traffic lights which will go from RED (15 seconds to go) through AMBER (5,4,3,2,1 seconds to go) finally to GREEN at the start time

## 18. PENALTIES

Competitors will start with Zero marks. Classification for the order of merit will be by reference to total marks lost, the winner being the competitor with the least total penalty.

Penalties will be as R32.1 to R32.2 except:

The following offences will carry a penalty of 'Exclusion' from Results:

- 1) Not reporting or not providing proof of visiting a control or check
- 2) Not completing a Special Stage.
- 3) Servicing contrary to SR.16
- 4) Causing an obstruction on an access road to, or from, or on a special stage.
- 5) Accumulated lateness (in excess of Target Time) between any two adjacent Main Controls of more than 15 minutes. (R31.2.6)
- 6) Not carrying a spare wheel which fits front and rear wheels
- 7) Not stopping to change a puncture
- 8) If you miss a split and reverse or go in the wrong direction
- 9) Persistent Aggressive back firing

### SHORT CUTTING FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS EVENT IS DEFINED AS:

The deliberate or careless positioning of a competing vehicle such that one or more of the vehicles wheels come into contact with the cultivated grass at the side of the stage route or driving a vehicle off the stage route or access route. This will include the driving of a vehicle through any barrier erected by the organisers to define the stage route e.g. Through straw-bales, road cones, barrels, tyres etc. Penalties will be applied whether the course taken by the competitor works to their advantage or not. Penalty for above will be 30 seconds per incident.

## 19. REFUELLING

The carriage of fuel on any service vehicle must comply with general health and safety regulations.

## 20. PACE/ROUTE NOTES

Pre-event practising or testing over special stages on this event is forbidden. The penalty is EXCLUSION..

## 21. G. R. MODIFICATION

(R31.2.5) Reduced to 15 minutes. Controls will close 15 minutes after due time of arrival of last car.

## 22. DAMAGE DECLARATION

Competitors must comply with R40.1.3 – you are advised to hand in your declaration at the end of the event or during the event if you retire. Competitors who fail to hand in the damage declaration are required to forward the report to the secretary within 72 hours of the event, unless they have been involved with an accident in which case details must be given to the organisers the same day. Competitors who fail to comply will be penalised by a fine of £100.00

## 23. JUDGES OF FACTS AND DRIVING STANDARDS OBSERVERS.

Named officials are Judges of Fact. The organisers may appoint further Judges of Fact, whose names will be listed on the official notice board prior to the start of the event. Judges of Fact and Driving Standards Observers will adjudicate on any items detailed in these SR's and R24.7 along with the correct usage of Chicanes and Splits. Stage Start Marshals are empowered to judge if a competitor has made a false start.

All timekeepers are Judges of Fact with regard to activity within their Time Control.

## 24. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ON STAGE

Competitors are required to carry an SOS Board and an OK Board. In the event of an accident requiring medical assistance competitors should display the **SOS** Boards to following cars. The following cars should determine the exact location of the incident by reference to their Road Book and the distance to the next junction and inform the Stage Finish Control immediately on arrival there. If medical assistance is not required competitors must display the **OK** Board. Penalty for misuse of the facility is exclusion and reporting to the MSA.

## 25. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Croft circuit  
Swift Signs  
All Marshal's  
All Doctors & Medical crews  
Tony Todd Photography  
Mad Videos

## 26. TYRES

All tyres must comply with current MSA Regulations.

All punctures must be replaced on stage immediately which means a spare wheel must be carried at all times -penalty will apply (This is a condition made from Croft Circuit to prevent damage to the tarmac)

There will be tyre services attending the event on the day of the rally. Although they will have a selection of tyres available this will be limited, so if you require tyres please preorder

Slick Tyres Tel: 0114 2470485  
Tyres (South Shore) Tel: 01253 761362

## **27. INTERPRETATION OF REGULATIONS**

It is the responsibility of competitors to understand the interpretation of all regulations and written instructions, and marshal's will be instructed not to enter into disputes involving such interpretations. Organisers times and mileage's will be deemed to be correct and not the subject of protests.

## **28. RETIREMENT ON STAGE**

Competitors are reminded that in the event of retirement from the competition on a special stage they must not leave the prescribed route of a special stage without the specific permission of the stage commander.

## **29. CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY**

The child's welfare is paramount, all children, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious belief and / or sexual identity, have the right to protection from abuse. All suspicions and allegations of inappropriate behaviour will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately. Anyone under the age of 18 years, as defined in the Children Act 1989, will be considered as a child for this document.

Any concerns about child protection whilst at this event should be communicated to the Child Protection Officer who details are listed in the officials list.

## **30. SPECIFIC REGULATIONS FOR CROFT CIRCUIT**

**CORNER CUTTING** – Due to problems in previous events and to preserve grassed areas of the circuit, corner-cutting will not be tolerated. A strict policy concerning corner cutting will be adhered to, any offenders will be reported to the Clerk of the Course.

**PUNCTURES** – Any competitor unfortunate to sustain a puncture on any stage must stop and change it immediately where safe to do so. Anyone found running a punctured tyre / bare rim anywhere on the circuit will be excluded.

**VENUE** - Gates into the circuit will be open from 2:00pm on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December competitors may leave vehicles at their own risk or stay at the circuit overnight however the gates will be locked once the organisers leave at 6:00pm.

Gates into the circuit will be open from 6:00am on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

Threatening behaviour towards circuit staff or officials will not be tolerated and may result in exclusion

### 31. MEDIA

Media accreditation and passes for the event will be handled and processed by Croft Circuit. All media applications must be made to croft circuit.

### 32. RED FLAG PROCEEDURE

2018 seen the MSA switch back to a red flag proceeedure. The event will be using a system of red flags on all stages. If for extreme circumstances it is necessary to authorise the movement of a rescue or non competing vehicle ahead of competing vehicles a red flag will be shown at various radio locations. (R 24.4.5)

On passing a red flag displayed by a marshal wearing a marshals tabard, the driver MUST immediately and significantly reduce speed as well as being prepared to stop at any time; at no time must they overtake any safety vehicle they encounter on the special stage route. The driver must then follow the instructions of any marshals and/or stage safety personnel and maintain this reduced speed until leaving the special stage. Failure to comply with this rule will incur a penalty at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. ( R25.6.4)

### 33. PREVIOUS WINNERS

2001	David Henderson	(Mitsubishi Evo)
2002	Paul Bird / Larry Carter	( Hyundai WRC )
2003	Paul Bird / Larry Carter	( Hyundai WRC )
2004	Tom Morris/ Neil Chambers	(Metro 6R4)
2005	Tony Bardy / Reg Smith	(Nissan Sunny GTIR)
2006	David Bogie/David Patterson	(Metro 6R4)
2007	John Stone/ Lee Carter	(Metro 6R4)
2008	Kevin Procter / Dave Bellerby	(Subaru Impreza WRC)
2009	Kevin Procter / Dave Bellerby	(Subaru Impreza WRC)
2010	Dale Robertson/ Paul Mcguire	(Mitsubishi Evo 9)
2011	Kevin Procter / Dave Bellerby	(Subaru Impreza WRC)
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2014	Kevin Procter / Dave Bellerby	<i>(Subaru Impreza WRC)</i>
2015	Kevin Procter / Dave Bellerby	<i>(Subaru Impreza WRC)</i>
2016	Guy Smith / Patrick Walsh	<i>(Ford Focus WRC)</i>
2017	Simon de Banke / Phil Mills	<i>(Ford Fiesta R5)</i>

## **34. RESULTS & AWARDS PRESENTATION**

Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the last car has completed the last stage. The awards presentation will take place at Croft Circuit once the results are final. Any protest must be lodged in accordance with (C5) Protests.

## **34. DATA PROTECTION**

Pro By entering the event the driver and co-driver agree to allow the organising club to use the data provided on the entry form for the purposes of event data requirements and the future marketing of the event to driver and co-driver.

## **35. BEHAVIOUR**

Abuse either verbally or electronically to any officials and anyone associated with the event will not be tolerated and will be reported to the MSA and may result in exclusion from the rally

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*Best of luck to all involved in the championship*